Meeting Minutes



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Upper East Coast Water Supply Plan Update and Alternative Water Supply FY 2007 Funding

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9:30 1. Welcome and Introductions, Lennart Lindahl, Governing Board Member

Mr. Lindahl welcomed everyone. At this meeting, we will discuss water supply schedules, amendments to the water supply plan, population growth and all of the AWS funding for 2007. We are on a schedule set forth by Senate Bill 444 to have this updated water supply plan by July of this year and to be linked with a comprehensive land use plan, this will assist in the evaluation of the AWS funding. Some of the AWS funding will accompany Senate Bill 444. It will be a shame to loose the funds on its second year so it is necessary to get back to the proper allocations.

There is an estimated population growth of over 500,000 by 2025. At the last Governing Board meeting, we established a policy at board level that AWS process and diversified water reuse are all part of the plan attached to the consumptive use permit to meet future demands. Cheap water is a commodity of the past, we have to rethink this issue from source, treatment process and reuse as we move forward into the water supply issues. Make sure you incorporate in the plan all the projects that will help all of these issues. The projects in the water supply plan that cover most of these issues will hold priority when it comes to funding.

9:45 2. Water Supply Plan Approach and Schedule, Jim Jackson, SFWMD Questions and Answers

No questions

10:00 3. Updated Population & Demand Projections 2025, Carl Woehlcke, Lead Economist, Water Supply Department

Questions and Answers

Q: Are the projections going to be sent out to the municipalities for comments?

A: After we meet with the utilities, they will be providing the feedback if whether the demands are reasonable for planning purposes.

Len Lindahl – For people that are aware of a developing regional impact in a utility service area, regarding inconsistency in the population projection, how is it been handle?

11:40	6.	Adjourn, Len Lindahl
11:00	5.	Alternative Water Supply FY 2007 Funding Program, Mark Elsner, Division Director, Implementation, Water Supply Questions and Answers
		A: Some projects were BMP, they were a total of 46 projects. Projects will be itemized in the amendment.
		Q: In the public water supply projects, 15 looks like a low number.
		A: We are looking at your demands and considering them. We have put them into projects and categorized them by meeting, exceeding or shortfall.
		Q: Is your projection based on BEBR or on our projections?
		Questions and Answers
10:30	4.	Water Supply Plan Amendment, Linda Hoppes, UEC Plan Manager, Water Supply Department
		Jim Jackson – This will be part of the rulemaking, to have guidance in each of the plans, and an amendment process after rulemaking.
		Len Lindahl – It is a hard question to answer, there has been inconsistency among the three elements, (rulemaking, water supply plan and regulatory), we are making a step forward to were they are minimized. Just be the watchdog and ask the proper questions. It will not be a perfect world.
		A: In the agricultural plan, how difficult is it to separate regional system from brown water?
		A: I can direct you to their website, their projection focuses on a county level. We also tie up to traffic analysis projection. Your comprehensive plan is what helps modify the plan, still the BEBR median is considered the best information.
		Q: How does the BEBR develops their forecast?
		A: If they are in the development of the approval process they are counted as part of the population, if they are not approved they don't have a project. When the comprehensive plan is approved they will be incorporated.